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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement dated March 3, 2004, Applicants elect Species L, with traverse. The traversal is made on the grounds that it is believed that a single search and examination covering all claims would not place undue burden on the Examiner.

The Patent Office has indicated that claims 38 and 64-106 should be included within Species L, and claims 1, 23, 24, 32 and 48 are generic to Species L. While Applicants do not concede that Species L would not also encompass other claims, or that all of the claims suggested by the Patent Office should be part of Species L, it appears that claims 1, 23, 24, 32, 38, 48 and 64-106 form a group commensurate with the elected species for search and examination purposes only.

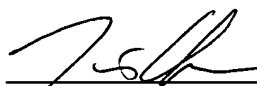
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